31st October 1931]

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—"I quite realize the seriousness of the situation, but that applies equally to all places which are affected with leprosy. I am afraid that under the present financial stringency, the Government cannot provide the funds."

Mr. M. S. SRESHTA:—"May I know what action Government propose to take?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—"I have already answered it."

Supply of drinking water to Pedda and Chinna Matams in Kandimallayya Palli, Badvel taluk.

* 387 *Q.*—Pandit GANALA RAMAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government received resolutions adopted by the eighth session of the Andhra Provincial Viswabrahmana Conference which was convened under the auspices of the All-India Viswakarman Liberal Federation urging the Government that water may be supplied to the Pedda and Chinna Matams in Kandimallayya Palli, Badvel taluk, Cuddapah district, from the stream near Poleramma temple through pipes; and

(*b*) what steps the Government propose to take to supply drinking water to these mutts?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) Government do not propose to take any steps in the matter.

Religious and Charitable Endowments

Withholding of tasdiks due to temples in South Kanara.

* 388 *Q.*—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the tasdiks due to the several temples in South Kanara have not been paid during the last three years; if so, why and at whose instance and under what powers the said amounts were withheld; and

(*b*) what are the temples, the amounts due to each and the years in which they were not paid?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) A copy [a] of the letter from the Collector of South Kanara on the subject which contains the necessary information is placed on the table. The tasdiks were withheld by the Collector for the reasons stated in his letter.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"May I know whether the Collector stopped the payment of tasdiks at his own instance or at the instance of the President of the Committee?"

---

[a] Printed as Appendix IV on page 332 infra.

[31st October 1931

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU :—" The answer is there, Sir."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT :—" May I know whether the Collector has taken previous care to see whether he has stopped the tasdiks of temples which do not require the appointment of a committee —temples which are managed by sole hereditary trustees? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU :—" Notice."

Petition for handing over charge of the Kanchi Kamakshamma temple, Vizianagaram City, to the Hindu Religious Endowments Board.

* 389 Q.—Pandit GANALA RAMAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government received a petition from Mr. Kasi Ramamurti, Vice-President, the All-India Viswakarman Liberal Federation, stating that as the Kanchi Kamakshamma temple at Bondada street, Vizianagaram City, Vizagapatam district, is at present in bad management, the Hindu Religious Endowments Board may take charge of the same; and

(b) the result of this complaint?

A.—(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Extension of the Wakf Act to the Presidency of Madras.

* 390 Q.—Mr. MAHBOOB ALI BAIG: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Wakf Act of 1923 (India Act XLII of 1923) has been extended to the Madras Presidency for the better management of Wakf properties of the Muslims;

(b) in how many districts have advisory committees been appointed;

(c) what the rules and regulations prescribed for their guidance are; and

(d) who the members of the various committees appointed are?

A.—(a) Yes; with effect from the 1st of January 1932.

(b) The Act does not contemplate the formation of any Advisory Committees.

(c) & (d) The question does not arise.

Mr. V. M. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know what steps the Government propose to take in order to work the Wakf Act of 1923 ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU :—" The Government need not take any steps. The Act itself provides that those who are interested in the wakfs may move the Courts."